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GHOST GLARES—SUN SINKS

Professors Kelly and Babcock on Hypothetical Wiring of Library—Information and Encouragement.

In a telephone conversation with a Hamilton Life reporter on November 27th, Hon. James S. Sherman, a member of the Board of Trustes and of the Executive Committee, made the following statement: "At a meeting of the Committee of the Board of Trustees last Tuesday sufficient funds were appropriated to defray the expense of wiring the College Library for electricity. * * * The work will probably be done during the Christmas recess. * * * As it is really of no interest to the College at large I would rather not state what the sum appropriated was."

In less than three weeks term examinations begin. As yet there are no lights in the Library. For the past two months it has been practically useless after four o'clock; it is true that students have endeavored to work after that time but only with a severe strain upon the eyes. Information as to the reason of the delay has not been forthcoming. A member of the Junior Class, asking Librarian Babcock for an explanation, was instructed to go to Peter Kelly for his information. "Peter knows as much as I do," the Professor is quoted as saying.

Since the publication in "Life" of the news that the Library was to be wired this journal has been constantly condemned as a "yellow sheet" and a purveyor of lies. In reply "Life" can only state that it received its information on the best authority and reiterate that the Library WILL BE WIRED.

Friday evening in conversation with an undergraduate Mr. George E. Dunham, a member of the Board of Trustees, stated that he supposed that the work of wiring was already in progress. On investigation it was found that measurements have been made by a Clinton electrician and that the necessary materials have been ordered. It is assumed that upon their arrival the work will be begun. The following exhaustive information was gained from Prof. Babcock:

"Professor, has any work been done in wiring the Library?"

"No."

"Is anything being done about it now?"

"No."

"Do you know when work will be begun, if at all?

"NO."

Following the Librarian's instructions to see Peter Kelly, that gentleman stated that the only business he had with Prof. Babcock related to the the heating of the building. "All I can say is," remarked Peter, "that if he wants to keep his old building warm he'll have to keep the smoke drafts where I leave 'em."

For the past year those in authority have preserved a curious silence about the Library in general and its wiring in particular. Prof. Babcock has refused to answer all questions and others connected with the work, whether acting in accordance with hi instructions or not, have been equally taciturn. However, on excellent authority, "Life" is in position to state that considerable work will be done in the Library during the Spring vacation and that when work is resumed on April 12th the building will be open evenings.

But you mustn't tell anyone about this; it's a secret, you know, and silence must be preserved. The students of the College aren't supposed to know about such things.

—A meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment was held in Truax Hall on Wednesday. It was decided that all men who had not paid their athletic tax and were on the Musical Clubs should be obliged to pay their own expenses until the athletic tax be paid. Word was sent to the manager of the clubs.

"MON, BUT IT WAS GRAND"

"Poos, Peerless Bass" and All the Others Win Their Way in Newburg and Elsewhere.

"There are concerts and concerts, but somehow those Hamilton College fellows have a movement all their own." That forceful little editorial from the pen of the Middletown Times-Press' scribe is echoed tonight on the banks of the Hudson and far along the gleaming trail of the picturesque O. & W. "Pretty's" well-drilled glee club did it, "Bunny's" best-ever mandolins did it, "Poos," "the peerless bass" (vide Sidney Record) and "Cupid, the Cute Kid," did it—some thirty odd hoarse voices take up the chant, "We done it!"

It all started at Oxford. The O. & W. was almost on time and there was a delightful drive of a mile and a half. The quartet started the trip right by responding to some ten encores, and kept well in the lead for first place at all the concerts. Woods never played so well in his life as in that violin duet. After the concert there was a jolly little reception at the Johnsons' pleasant home.

The O. & W. train pleasantly surprised the troupe by being only about two hours late into Sidney. The Sidney High School has particularly fine acoustic arrangements and the Glee Club showed a remarkable improvement in snap and rhythm. Jack West was so impressed by the beauty of Sidney's riverside that he announced that it was his firm intention to go there on his honeymoon.

And speaking of honey and moons and things, how about Middletown? Massey and Finn were there with open arms as usual. We can not state with perfect assurance the exact status of the Lenten Sewing Club as regards embroidery and Battenberg, but when it comes to entertaining they are quite in the classiest class. We may have had a finer

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1911 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.

Manager Connell, '12, announces the following tentative football schedule for the season of 1911:

Saturday, Sept. 31, Hamilton vs. Clarkson Tech. at Clinton.

Saturday, Oct. 7, Hamilton vs. R. P. I. at Clinton.

Saturday, Oct. 14, Hamilton vs. Hobart at Clinton.

Saturday, Oct. 21, Hamilton vs. Rochester at Rochester.

Saturday, Oct. 28, Hamilton vs. Middlebury at Middlebury, Vermont.

Saturday, Nov. 4, Hamilton vs. St. Lawrence at Canton.

Saturday, Nov. 11, Hamilton vs. Union at Clinton.

Coach Moore will be retained and the graduate system of coaching will be employed. Football practice will commence ten days before College opens. The candidates for assistant managership of football are: Akers, Booth, Flagg, and McMillan.

F. W. PEARSALL TO LECTURE.

Thru co-operation with the State Committee of the Y. M. C. A. arrangements have been made whereby the College may have the benefit of a series of lectures on "Student Problems" to be delivered by Frank W. Pearsall, State Secretary. There will be four lectures in all. Commencing Thursday, March 9th, the talks will be given daily at 8 p. m. in the Chapel, the last of the series being on Sunday evening. Mr. Pearsall has had wide experience with college men and his lectures will be well worth attending.

BEQUEST TO THE COLLEGE.

On the death of Dr. Daniel M. Burgess of New York City last week Hamilton College received a bequest of between $40,000 and $50,000. The amount was left to the college by his wife, Annie M. Burgess, at her death in 1906, but was to remain with her husband during life. Columbia and Barnard College also share in the estate.

—The Press Club met at Silliman Hall last Monday evening and revised the list of newspapers to which bulletins are sent out.

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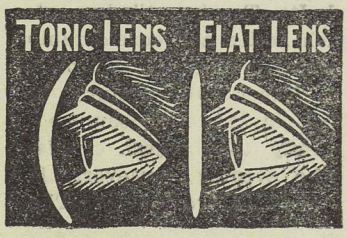

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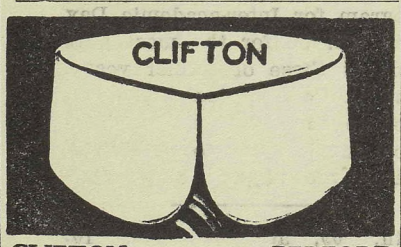

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EDITORIAL.

Following the editorial suggestion in last week's issue of Life, a meeting of the Senior Class was called last Tuesday morning to listen to the report of the manager of hte 1911 Hamiltonian. Aside from the announcement made early in the term that the manager hoped to make ends meet without an extra tax, nothing of a more definite nature was made known.

The Class, somewhat sceptical and inclined, perhaps, to give more weight to the reports of former Hamiltonian managers than to the praiseworthy ambitions of the 1911 management, had been led to expect a tax ranging from two to eight dollars per capita.

On Tuesday morning, however, Manager Westcott read his report and announced that all the accounts of the 1911 Hamiltonian had been settled and without expense to the class. The report was, of course, enthusiastically received and, as the custom always is on such occasions, a "vote of thanks" was passed, the meeting was immediately adjourned and further discussion of the matter was speedily dismissed.

The incident is, however, worthy of some comment. As is always the case, with chairmanships, editorships, managerships, and what not, it is invariably the man with the responsibility who does all the work. So, in the case of the Hamiltonian the editor by the mere virtue of his office, is expected to write nine-tenths of the book, and the manager, as a matter of course, is called upon to do all the work and assume all responsibility altho he may have any number of assistants. The College, meanwhile, overlooks these mere details, forgets entirely the amount of work involved, clamors for the book if it should be late, and judges it by critical standards.

Both the editor and manager of our last year book are to be congratulated upon the successful result of their labors. The book itself, tho perhaps not so elaborate as some in the past, was well adapted to the purpose for which it was designed. It was well edited, efficiently managed, and set a new record for future Hamiltonians.

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Despite Saturday orations and Wednesday declamations, and editorials, and the attacks of its opponents who claim that it can do no good, and the defense of its adherents who maintain that at least it does no harm, the New York State Intercollegiate Athletic Union, to clothe it in its full dignity, lives and moves and occasionally attempts to reassert itself as a power in our athletics. Its action at the recent meeting proves its life and suggests renewed vigor and usefulness.

In the first place, the constitution of the Union was so amended as to permit summer baseball. There seems to be little doubt in the minds of college students and authorities that a man should be allowed to help himself thru college by his athletic ability as well as by any other gift he may possess. Many colleges and intercollegiate associations have already recognized this fact. That the N. Y. S. I. A. U. should fall in line suggests that it intends to keep pace with the spirit of the age in athletics.

The more important action of the Union, and one in whose outcome will be tested the value of the Union, was the adoption of the report of the Athletic Committee fining the University of Rochester one hundred dollors for breaking the contract with Hamilton for a dual track meet last Spring. Rochester's present attitude under the leadership of her new athletic director, Dr. Reed, indicates that the fine will be paid without protest.

If the N. Y. S. I. A. U. should fail to enforce this decree its staunchest critics must desert it, admitting its day of usefulness to have passed. If the fine is paid, thus attesting the power of the Union, the N. Y. S. I. A. U. will have proved itself worth the support that Hamilton has given it in the interests of square athletics. The very life of the New York State Intercollegiate Athletic Union hangs on the enforcement of this fine it has decreed.

DR. HUBER, THE SIXTEENTH.

Prof. Morrill has announced that Dr. John Huber, '87, will lecture here on the sixteenth of this month. Dr. Huber is an authority on the sanitation problem and an ardent leader in the fight against the White Plague. His article in the March "Review of Reviews" on "Typhoid Fever and Its Treatment" has attracted much notice and considerable discussion among the medical profession. Dr. Huber will lecture in Science Hall, in the afternoon, considering merely the subject of disease. In the evening, however, his symptoms and its treatment. The lecture will be adequately illustrated with stereopticon views, many of them the result of careful research and investigation by Dr. Huber.

NOTICE.

The Interscholastic Committee will in the near future send out to a large number of preparatory schools invitations to participate in the Inter-academic Track and Field Meet to be held on Steuben Field May 13. The program for Inter-academic Day this year will be for the most part the same as those of former years. Any man in College who wishes an invitation to be sent to his preparatory shool should speak to Martin, '11, immediately.

—Smyth, '09, and Hastings, '10, were selected in competition to play leading parts in the performance to be given by the Dramatic Association of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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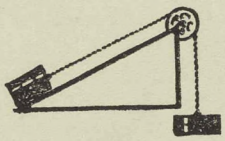

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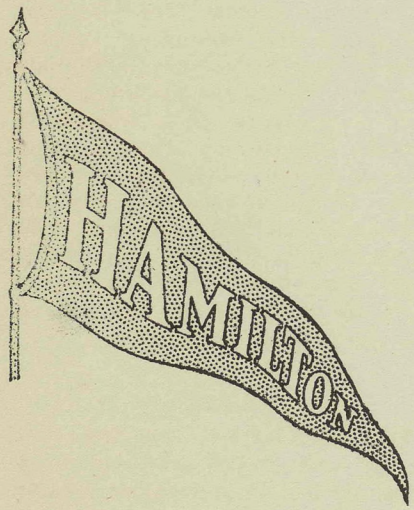

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"MON, BUT IT WAS GRAND."

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dance but we can't remember it. We certainly never saw such decorations for a stage as Mrs. Wiggins and her committee had planned. And the girls were even finer than the homes at which we were entertained. That's the strongest statement that could be made. Everyone was in good form for the concert, and we gave Middletown our best. Speaking of schedules for next year, Mr. Manager, Middletown must be included or you'll have a strike on your hands.

It was a painful parting, but we had to leave. The president of a certain class was so sunk in despair that he inadvertently left behind important parts of his evening apparel. Newburg had several points of interest, particularly a matinee performance of a very remarkable musical comedy. It was a trifle embarassing to sing in a church, but the audience was most generous with applause. The feeling of restraint soon wore off, and when the quartet politely inquired for a description of the angels' raiment, a certain dear old Scotch Doctor of Divinity was heard to exclaim, "Mon, it's grand!" We'd all be glad to go to Mr. Piercy's church again. He's a good example of a loyal alumnus.

Of course New York was the objective point and there was considerable nervousness before the concert in the Green Room at the Waldorf. Scovel was enough to cheer a funeral party, tho, and Rex Titus flitted about with his gladsome smile. Every number was a hit. Gouge never sang better—perhaps you can guess why. His solo work had improved steadily all during the trip. The original intention was to omit the monolog in New York, but Greengard made such a hit in the other towns that the management wisely decided to leave him on. He made good. Allen, all joking aside, is the star of the clubs. "The Indifferent Mariner," lowered to suit his voice, makes a wonderfully effective solo. Eddy substituted for Woods very well indeed, considering the fact that he had no time to practice the violin duet. Heidner played a violin solo, "The Son of the Heath," with that rare musical taste that distinguishes his playing always. The Glee Club was far better than in any previous concert this year. The best part of it all came when the audience joined in with the clubs in singing "Carissima." Those who were there had a real Hamilton thrill of loyal love.

During the intermission there were yells from '05, '06, '07, '09, and several other classes. There was time for a visit, too; and there was many a knot of old pals in the halls. They all agreed on one thing, that there was never a better concert in New York given by any glee club. And perhaps they weren't far from the truth.

And now comes the sad part—the midnight hours before exams. But it was a great trip, and say, what will we do to Chicago!

ALUMNI BANQUET AT ALBANY.

The annual banquet of the Eastern New York Association of Hamilton College Alumni was held in Albany at the Albany Country Club last Friday evening. It was one of the most successful and best attended banquets that has ever been heeld by this Association. About three hundred Alumni were present, and College songs, class yells, and reminiscenses of undergraduate days made every moment of a good dinner more enjoyable. Following the banquet a short business meeting was held at which Frank B. Gilbert, '89, of Albany was elected President for the ensuing year, and Charles B. Sullivan, '05, of Albany, Secretary and Treasurer.

The speakers of the evening were: Dr. Stryker, '72; State Superintendent of Insurance William H. Hotchkiss, '86; Mayor George E. Van Kennen, '86, of Ogdensburg; Senator Frederick W. Griffith, '86, Palmyra; and Assemblyman Nelson L. Drummond, '02, of Auburn.

TRACK SCHEDULE.

The 1911 Track Schedule has been announced as follows:

Interclass Meet, May 11.

Interscholastic Meet, May 13.

Dual Meet with Union at Schenectady, May 24.

N. Y. S. I. A. U. Meet at Rome, May 30.

Dual Meet with St. Lawrence at Clinton, June 3.

It is hoped that St. Lawrence and the University of Vermont and the R. P. I. will enter teams in the Intercollegiate Meet at Rome.

N. Y. S I A. U. MEETING.

The regular meeting of the N. Y. S. I. A. U. was held in the offices of A. J. Foley in Utica last Saturday. Those present were: Dr. Huntington, Dr. Whitnall and Mr. Ingam of Colgate, D. H. Wood, A. J. Foley and W. C. Sparks of Hobart, Dr. Reed and Mr. Foster of Rochester, Prof. Lewis, Dr. Squires and C. S. Peck of Hamilton, and Dr. McCombeer of Union. A fine of $100 was imposed on Rochester for breaking a contract for a track meet with Hamilton last Spring. The football pennant for 1910 was awarded to Hobart. The following colleges were invited to participate in the annual track meet this Spring as guests of the League: New York University, Alfred University, University of Vermont, St. Lawrence, and R. P. I. The Summer Baseball Amendment was carried. After this any man can play with any Summer baseball team, except those under the National Commission without becoming a professional.

"DUTCH" KUOLT, '07.

Oscar W. Kuolt, '07, has been engaged as head coach of the football team at Union for next year. He is now coaching the garnet basket-ball team which has met with marked success, having lost but one game and has defeated the Army, M. I. T., Tufts, Colgate and Rochester.

The current issue of the "Concordiensis" has this to say:

There is no question that he is acquainted with every phase of the game as now played, as he is generally recognized as the best referee that Union has had on her campus for many years.

Probably the highest recommend that Mr. Kuolt has for this position is his present success with the basket-ball team. For the theory of coaching is much the same in every sport and he has demonstrated beyond a doubt that he can instill into the players the snap and vim which is so essential at crucial points in any form of athletics. It was felt last year that the greatest weakness of the team was the lack of snap and energy at vital moments. While "Dutch" may not have a reputation as an All-American player, he certainly has the essential qualifications of a good coach, and next year we hope to see our football team be as successful as is our basket-ball team this year.

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HILL NOTES.

—A meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet was held at Silliman Hall last Thursday evening.

—At the regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday, February 26, the members were given an interesting address by Charles M. Dodge, '91.

—Cody, '08, and Sidle, '11, acted as ushers at the Hart-Miller wedding, which took place at Grace Church in Utica last Tuesday evening.

—The College Debate Council may issue a challenge to the Cornell debating team.

—Dr. Wood will speak in Utica on March 13 at the Men's Banquet of the Dutch Reformed Church.

—The sixth of Dr. Squires' Theological lectures was given in Silliman Hall last Friday evening.

—The German Seminar met last Friday at the home of Dr. Brandt.

—Springstead, '05, who has been connected with the State Controller's Office during the last few years, has gone into partnership for general practice in law with Gordon, '07, who was previously connected with the Bowen & Sands law firm in New York City. The Springstead & Gordon offices are at 2 Rector street, New York.

—Morris, '03, principal of the Oneonta Central High School, spent Saturday of last week on the Hill.

—Bloomberg, '14, has left College.

—The first fourteen volumes of the new Encyclopedia Brittanica have been installed in the Library and a number of new books purchased under the Walstein Root Endowment have been placed on the shelves on the right hand side of the room. A new revised index to the periodicals is to be found on the left hand side of the entry.

—Bristol, '14, spent Sunday in New York.

—Prof. Morrill gave an illustrated lecture on "Savonarola" at the Stone Church, Clinton, Sunday evening.

—Higley, '12, was confined to his room last week because of a severe attack of tonsilitis.

—In the list of Senior Honors printed in Life last week the following two were omitted: Membership on any varsity team, and the managership of any varsity activity.

—The standing in the Press Club competition has been announced as follows: Barnes, Pohl, Carmer, Cole, and Walker. The two men who have the greatest number of words in at the end of the term will be elected to the Board.

—At the English Seminar, which met at Prof. Ibbotson's last Wednesday evening, Bagg, Peck, and Warren, '12, read short discussions on Thackery.

—The Junior Prom. Committee closed its accounts at a meeting at the Chi Psi Lodge Monday afternoon. It appears that there were ninety-one couples at the Prom. and the expenses, amounting in all to a little over $600, have been exactly met.

—A representative of the Empire Teachers' Agency was on the Hill on Thursday afternoon.

—W. E. Peck, '12, is very ill at his home in Ashtabula, Ohio, and will not return to College this term.

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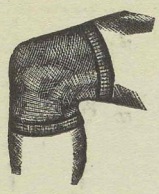

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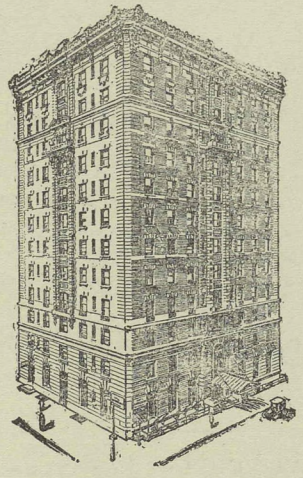

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